

# AIRPORT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## July 2009



### A AIRPORT OPERATIONS

- Passenger Count
- Aircraft Operations
- Air Freight

The passenger count will be distributed at the meeting.

### B PROGRAMS

#### 1. Air Service

Currently there are 38 daily departures from SBA to nine non-stops compared with 12 departures to three non-stops from San Luis Obispo; 5 departures to two non-stops from Santa Maria; and 4 departures to one non-stop from Oxnard. Thus, SBA has a 64% share of the total daily departures from the four commercial service airports in the tri-county region.

Staff Contact: Terri Gibson, 692-6004

#### 2. Communications Program

##### a. Airline Terminal Project Public Outreach

1. **Flyers** with a smaller version of the sign boards on one side and a diagram of new loop road configuration on the other side available at the Ambassador kiosk.
2. **Video clips** are being produced by Channel 18 for use on the web and in the holdrooms via the digital screens.
3. **Sign boards** have been erected at the Terminal showing diagrams of Phase I & II construction changes as well as a conceptual drawing of the future Terminal. "Please Pardon Our Dust – Work In Progress" signs are posted on the construction fencing.
4. **Website updates** are posted online as information becomes available.
5. **City Activity Guide** information on the Airport Department page regarding Airline Terminal area changes due to construction.

##### b. New FlySBA.Com Website Development

The new website is expected to be online this month.

### **c. Promotional Items This Month**

Water bill inserts, SB Conference & Visitors Bureau website co-op ads and magazine ads to promote commercial airline service at SBA.

### **d. Airport Visitors Center Activity**

422 students from 4 schools representing three school districts received aviation career information in June via the Airport's Community Education Liaison. Five General Aviation clubs held meetings at the Center during the month.

The Airport is providing aviation career and education opportunities for local at-risk youth via a Parks & Recreation Department summer apprentice program.

### **e. Airline Terminal Comment Card Program**

126 cards were collected from the holdrooms and main lobby in June. There was a predominance of comments about the lack of holdroom amenities and Terminal employee customer service.

### **f. FlySBA.Com Website Statistics**

There were 37,622 sessions recorded in June representing 353,314 hits on the website. The Airport Information Guide and one-page daily Flight Schedule were the most downloaded documents.

Staff Contact: Terri Gibson, 692-6004

## **3. Airport Noise Abatement Program**

Planned completion date: Summer 2009

**Phase 2 - Noise Monitor / Flight Tracking System** - Application submitted and pending coastal commission approval. Purchasing to review phase 2 modified bid submittal from ERA Corporation.

Staff Contact: Tracy Lincoln, 967 - 7111

## **4. Property Management**

### **a. Self-Service Fueling Project**

MAG Aviation has submitted a development application for the self-service fuel facility for conceptual review by the Architectural Board of Review. The Coastal Commission is reviewing the Airport's request for a zoning change. This project will require a Coastal Development Permit for construction.

Staff Contact: Hazel Johns, 692-6003

## **b. Airport Ambassador Recruitment**

The Ambassador program has been operational for three months. An Ambassador general meeting has been scheduled for July 23 to get feedback regarding operations at the Terminal from the current Ambassadors. A new recruitment will take place during July. Applications are taken on an on-going basis.

Staff Contact: Rebecca Fribley, 692-6022

## **c. T-Hangar Lottery**

The Airport T-Hangar Waiting List has dwindled to less than 10 names due to the relinquishing of three T-Hangars in July. A new lottery will be advertised to the general aviation community and a drawing held this Fall to bring the list back to 24 individuals.

Staff Contact: Rebecca Fribley, 692-6022

# **C CAPITAL PROJECTS**

## **1. Airport Terminal Improvement project**

Planned Completion Date: 2012

The first project in association with Terminal improvements, the SBA Terminal Ramp & Taxiway B Relocation Construction Project, was awarded to Granite Construction on July 22, 2008. Construction is approximately 99% complete with this portion of the project.

\$60 Million (14.1M AIP Grant, 5.8M PFCs, 34.5M Bond Funds, 1.0M Airport Funds)

An Award of Contract was made by City Council on March 24 for the second project in association with the Terminal improvements, the SBA Temporary Facilities & Site Preparation Project. Lash Construction is the Contractor. An Award of contract was also made by City Council for the Airline Terminal Building portion of the project.

EMMA Corporation will be the Contractor. Construction for the Temporary Facilities contract has started and is expected to be complete in late September. The terminal project contractor is expected to mobilize to the site in October.

Staff Contact: Owen Thomas, 692-6018  
Laurie Owens, 692-6023

## **2. ASP Wetland Mitigation Plan**

Planned Completion Date: 2009

### ASP Wetlands Mitigation Plan

Mitigation associated with the Airfield Safety Projects at a ratio of 4:1.

- Area I Restoration - Completed
- Remainder of Mitigation Plan – The design contract was approved by the City Council on March 24, 2009, and the consultants have begun the design work. The Tidal Restoration work is scheduled to be completed in 2009.

Staff Contact: Owen Thomas, 692-6018

## **3. Goleta Slough Tidal Circulation Demonstration Project**

Planned Completion Date: Winter 2009

This project was modified to restore tidal action to one Goleta Slough basin instead of two basins, due to cost. The Airport has received a Coastal Development Permit amendment from the Coastal Commission for the modified experiment. Construction began in September and was completed in October 2005. Surveys to measure bird activity, vegetation establishment and invertebrate communities was completed in November 2008. Staff has received approval from the California Coastal Commission to extend the reporting period until December 2009. The final report from URS was provided in mid-January 2009 and reviewed by staff. It will be forwarded to FAA and USDA for their review. Staff took a contract with Tartaglia Engineering and URS to City Council for design of the final tidal mitigation area required for the Airfield Safety Projects in March 2009. Plans are currently under development.

URS Corporation  
\$348,330 (work that is continuing.)

Staff Contact: Laurie Owens 692-6023

## **4. Consolidated Rental Car Quick Turn Around Facility**

Planned Completion Date: Fall 2009

This Airport project is to provide a Rental Car Quick Turn Around facility (QTA). The QTA will be relocated off of the Airline Terminal premises on a 3.4 acre site located at 25 David Love Place. It will function to fuel, perform minor service (oil changes, fluid checks, tire repair, etc.) vehicle washing, and vehicle storage. The Santa Barbara City Council awarded a contract to Pat McCarthy Construction on July 1, 2008. Pat McCarthy Construction is approximately 90% complete with the project. Final items to be completed are the solar system, car wash system, and fueling systems. It is expected that the rental car companies will take over and operate the site in September 2009.

Project Cost:  
\$8,803,000  
(Customer Facilities Charge revenue)

Staff Contact: Hazel Johns, 692-6003 / Leif Reynolds, 692-6020

## **D COUNCIL / AIRPORT COMMISSION ACTIONS**

Council / Airport Commission approved the following recommendations in June:  
Recommendation: That Council / Board Members:

Acceptance And Appropriation Of Federal Aviation Administration, Airport Improvement Program Grant Offer For Santa Barbara Airport

- A. Accept and authorize the Airport Director to execute, on behalf of the City, FAA Grant Offer of \$2,378,517 in Airport Improvement Program (AIP) funds for Project No. AIP-3-06-0235-040-2009 for Phase II, construction of a new airline terminal building; and
- B. Increase appropriations and estimated revenue in the Airport Grant Fund by \$2,378,517 to be funded from Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Grant No. 03-06-0235-040-2009, plus the City's 5% match portion of \$125,185 to be funded from Airport reserves above policy for a total increase of \$2,503,702, for Phase II, construction of a new airline terminal building.

Santa Barbara Airport Thermal Image Camera Project

- A. Approve additional Change Order expenditure for Purchase Order 380668 with Taft Electric Company in the amount of \$21,356 for the Santa Barbara Airport Thermal Image Camera Project; and
- B. Authorize use of \$21,356 remaining in a completed capital project in the Airport Capital Fund for the Thermal Image Camera Project.